

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In response to the Examiner's final Office Action of December 13, 2007 issued with respect to the present RCE application the Applicant respectfully submits the accompanying Amendment of the claims and the following Remarks.

Regarding Amendment

In the Amendment:

independent claim 1 is amended to specify that the compensation ensures that respective nozzles of respective ones of the rows are controlled to print a dot at a single physical point on a page of print media. Support for this amendment can be found at page 492, line 29-page 493, line 30 of the present specification; and dependent claims 2-18 are unchanged.

It is respectfully submitted that the Amendment does not add any new matter to the present application, nor any new issues to the prosecution of the present application.

Regarding 35 USC 102(e) and 103(a) Rejections

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of above-discussed amended independent claim 1 is not disclosed by Haflinger either alone or in view of any one or more of Askren, Dings, Hackleman, Kamoshida, Walmsley, Silverbrook, Usui, King and Morita, for at least the following reasons.

In the Response to Arguments section of the present final Office Action the Examiner asserts that the "entire print media can be considered as the single physical location for the dots" contending that this is because in pending independent claim 1 "the size, shape or specific location of the single physical location is not claimed".

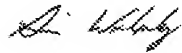
Amended independent claim 1 specifically recites that a "single physical point on a page of print media" is to be printed by the multiple nozzles of the multiple nozzle rows upon the claimed compensation (see page 492, line 29-page 493, line 30 of the present specification), and therefore one of ordinary skill in the art understands that the "entire print media" can not to be interpreted as such a single "point".

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that amended independent claim 1, and claims 2-18 dependent therefrom, is distinguished from Haflinger, and the other cited references, for at least the reasons discussed by the Applicant in the Replies to the previous Office Actions.

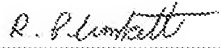
It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's rejections have been traversed. Accordingly, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Very respectfully,

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